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CINCINNATI MAN RECEIVES 60-MONTH SENTENCE FOR CHILD PORN

CINCINNATI - Robert Elms, age 50, of Cincinnati was sentenced in United States District Court here today to 60 months imprisonment, followed by three years of supervised release as punishment for possessing child pornography.

Gregory G. Lockhart, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio; Brian Moskowitz, Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement in Detroit; St. Bernard Police Chief Steven Moeller and Gerald O'Farrell, Assistant Inspector in Charge, United States Postal Inspection Service, announced the sentence handed down today by United States District Judge Susan J. Dlott.

Elms pled guilty in July 2005 to one count of possession of child pornography. A federal search warrant was executed at Elms' residence at 4616 Tower Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, on December 21, 2004. Agents recovered computer equipment and storage devices which contained child pornography. Some of the material involved prepubescent minors or minors under the age of 12 years. Elms possessed between 300 and 600 images containing child pornography.

"Elms surrendered to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents on December 28, 2004 and has been in custody since his arrest," Lockhart said. "The strength of federal laws against child pornography is our ability to get the criminals off the streets immediately and keep them out of the community."

Lockhart also commended the cooperative investigation by ICE agents, Postal Inspectors, and police officers in the case, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeb Terrien, who prosecuted the case.

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